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Applicant: Osamu NAKASATO, et al.) Examiner: Michael Trettel
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For: "NECK-HEAD SUPPORT PILLOW") Date: May 25, 2007

**REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL AS ATTORNEY AND CHANGE OF
CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 10.40**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

I, the attorney signing below, respectfully request permission for myself and all of the attorneys set forth in the power of attorney form filed in the above-identified case to withdraw from all further responsibility in this case.

This request for withdrawal is being based on 37 C.F.R. §§ 10.40(c)(3) and 10.40(c)(6).

The applicant's Philippine counsel, Ong Bagay-Villamor Fabiosa Law Firm, stopped representing the applicants due to claimed failure to communicate and lack of payment of fees. This firm had secured the services of Ladas & Parry for filing the above-identified U.S. national phase application and provided instructions to Ladas & Parry concerning the application.

Following the departure of Ong Bagay-Villamor Fabiosa Law Firm, the undersigned contacted the applicants by facsimile and e-mail several times to inform them:

1. an office action was pending and that a response, with extension of time, would have to be filed by no later than June 28, 2007 to avoid abandonment; and
2. the applicants should provide a retainer and instructions directly to Ladas & Parry, by a date certain, due to the departure of Ong Bagay-Villamor Fabiosa Law Firm.

The undersigned attorney called the first-named applicant, Mr. Osamu Nakasato, at his request, to confirm these steps. He also called Mr. Nakasato's "agent," Mr. Tubota. Unfortunately, neither Mr. Nakasato nor Mr. Tubota is fluent in spoken English.

Despite repeated reminders and explanations, the applicants have never provided a retainer and instructions. Instead, their latest response (May 19, 2007 facsimile) is a series of hand-written questions concerning the application and complaints about their Philippine attorney.

Osamu Nakasato stated in one of his facsimile messages that he does not speak or write English. Accordingly, I advised the applicants in a letter sent on May 24, 2007 that they should "engage the services of a competent Japanese law firm that regularly files applications in the United States" because such a firm would be best situated to

communicate with them.

M.P.E.P. § 402.06 states:

The Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office usually requires that there be at least 30 days between *approval* of withdrawal and the later of the expiration date of a time period for reply or the expiration date of the period which can be obtained by a petition and fee for extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Accordingly, the undersigned attorney prepared and mailed a response to the pending office action on May 25, 2007, with payment for two months extension of time, in order to advance the prosecution of this application and to keep it pending while the Commissioner considers this request for withdrawal.

The applicants are believed to have a copy of all pertinent matters pertaining to this patent and also will be informed how to review the prosecution of their application on Public PAIR.

The undersigned signs on behalf of the attorneys listed on the power of attorney filed in this case. All such attorneys are listed below.

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In view of the above, it is requested that the Commissioner allow withdrawal, notify the undersigned attorney of the same, and direct all future correspondences or communications concerning this application to:

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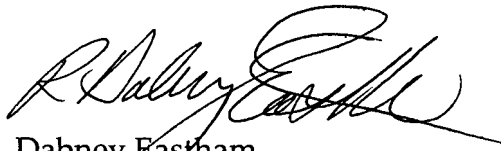
Furthermore, following the filing of the response mailed on May 25, 2007, the Commissioner is no longer authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit overpayment to deposit account no. 12-0415. All previous authorizations to charge this account for this application are hereby withdrawn.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Post Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on May 25, 2007.


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